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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### Christmas Island Explosion

The successful explosion of a British-made hydrogen bomb can be regarded with sober satisfaction. To have developed such a weapon and then not to have tested its efficacy would have been absurd. The British government was fully justified in refusing to bow to demands and requests to abandon the test.

While the protests against the Christmas Island experiment were well intentioned, they were very largely conditioned by emotionalism and to that extent were irrational. If, as it is now generally accepted, the existence of hydrogen bombs provides the biggest deterrent to war, Britain's possession of the weapon is calculated to reduce, rather than increase, the danger of a gloom conflict being initiated by any hostile country.

LEVELAL considerations justify Britain's decision to manufacture an effective nuclear bomb. She would become the first target if Russia launched an offensive in Europe and without weapons equivalent in power to those possessed by the enemy, she would be unable to engage in effective retaliatory action. The whole of Western Europe must lean heavily on Britain's capacity to supply the deterrent to any aggressive designs from the East. She is now in the course of investing herself with that essential strength.

The argument that possession by Britain of her own nuclear weapons, including the H-bomb, renders more difficult resolving of the disarmament problem does not convince. If anything it could have the opposite effect. It could lead to a more ready agreement on the banning of H-bomb explosions, for the existence of a third power possessing this devastating weapon is likely to encourage greater efforts to find an acceptable formula for its international control.

International Communism, led by Russia, is certain to launch a propaganda campaign of horror and indignation against the success of the Christmas Island experiment; nevertheless the Kremlin leaders will, in their own hearts, be impressed and sobered by the knowledge that Britain is now in the position to help deter war; that if the occasion arose she could strike back at a major aggressor with an equivalent might. And the Russian leaders, at least, have keen appreciation of, and respect for, realities. The British people will not burst themselves with pride because they now have in their possession an effective hydrogen weapon. But they are entitled to feel that as a result Britain's voice may receive more sympathetic attention than heretofore in the international councils where plans for the future security and welfare of mankind are debated.

An important significance of the Christmas Island test is that Britain can in the future talk on equal terms with the United States and Russia in any tripartite conferences which may materialise aimed at reaching agreement on dealing with the problem of nuclear weapons.

## Labour Offers £15 A Week Pension Scheme

London, May 15. THE Labour Party tonight offered the British people half-pay retirement pensions of up to £215 a week at the age of 65 under a national superannuation plan. The party, if returned to power at the next general election, intends to introduce this aid o

# BRITAIN EXPLODES H-BOMB

## Successful Test Carried Out In Midair

London, May 15. Britain's first H-bomb exploded with a force of at least a million tons of TNT in midair over the Pacific near Christmas Island on Wednesday.

The nuclear test carried out in secrecy in the mid-Pacific confirmed Britain as the world's third power possessing the hydrogen bomb.

An official announcement issued in London late this evening described the burst only as a "nuclear device." Official sources said it was in fact the first British "megaton bomb."

The first flash from the Ministry of Supply said only that "the first explosion of a nuclear device in the present series took place at high altitude in the Central Pacific today. In Honolulu, the US Weather Bureau said conditions in the Christmas Island area were "just about perfect" for today's test blast. Winds were light and variable, from 10,000 to 60,000 feet and their northwesterly direction would carry fall-out away from any populated area."

### NO DESCRIPTION

There was no description of the undubbed drama set off when a volunteer crew of the Royal Air Force sent the big bomb hurtling into the air while hundreds of scientists waited in shelters to see if the thing would work.

There had been talk of "protest flights" calling into the area from Japan to break the British plane. One British Queenie had flown as far as New Delhi on his way to make a stand against the test but it came too soon.

### SET OFF BOMB

The actual blast was set off by 30-year-old Flight-Lieut. Alan Washbrook of Blackburn, England.

It was he, the Air Ministry said, who pressed the trigger and actually dropped the bomb. Washbrook was bombardier-navigator of the Valiant.

Its pilot, the Air Ministry said, was 30-year-old Wing Commander Kenneth G. Hubbard of Windsor, England.

Observers assumed from the disclosure of their names that the bomb-dropping plane had successfully and safely completed its dash back to Christmas Island without incident.

Hubbard is commander of the squadron of four Valiants which flew to Christmas Island in March and had been rehearsing the "big drop" since.

Prime Minister Macmillan heard the news of success during a break in the House of Commons debate on his Suez policies.

It was never announced how many H-bombs Britain intends to set off. Unofficial reports set the figure at three to five.

Tonight's official statement, terse as it was, made it plain there would be more than one. It spoke of today's blast is the first of a series.

The four Valiants picked for the "big drop" had been painted a brilliant white to reflect the bomb's flash and reduce the risk of radioactive contamination during their escape flight.

### SPECIAL BOMB-BAY

The plane was refitted with a special bomb-bay to accommodate the huge missile. In normal service the Valiant carries a crew of five. Its normal bombload is top-secret.

Back at Christmas Island British engineers had constructed a complete city to house atomic scientists, airmen and ground crews. At the jet-base hacked out of the island's coral, complicated equipment was ready to "crash-land" the huge Valiant and smaller Canberra free of contamination.

How the bomb got to Christmas Island was never revealed. If that bulky parts went by sea they travelled through the Panama Canal.

All indications were that Sir William Penney and his scientists had been working on details of the mechanism right up to drop-day. —London Express Service & United Press.



### Shocks Recorded In Japan

Tokyo, May 16. JAPANESE meteorologists today began picking up atmospheric disturbances, believed to be resulting from the British Christmas Island nuclear explosion, about 5.30 a.m. (2030 GMT Wednesday).

A spokesman at the Meteorological Centre in Tokyo said that the disturbances were still continuing as of 6.30 a.m. JST.

He said that complete reports were still not in, but that from readings of instruments in Tokyo area the disturbances were continuing much longer than any previous disturbance recorded during announced US tests in the Bikini area.

A spokesman said that the atmospheric shocks recorded in the Tokyo area were "at least as heavy" as those which occurred during the US testing.

With the atmospheric shocks recorded here as heavy as those of the US tests in the Bikini area, observers here felt that the British explosion might have been much bigger than anything the US set off.

The Christmas Island area is roughly 4,000 miles from the Japanese island, while Bikini is about half of that distance.

Japan, ever sensitive to testing anywhere, has its instruments to record atmospheric shocks scattered throughout its main islands.

The spokesman for the Meteorological Centre in Tokyo said that a full report from these centres was expected later today. —United Press.

### No HK Instruments

An official of the Royal Observatory Hong Kong stated this morning that the local Observatory at present has no instruments to record atmospheric shocks of this kind. The instrument needed is a special sensitive recording barometer, he added.

Grand Jury sources confirmed that the indictment had been voted but because the publisher, Robert Harrison, and others involved were out of the State the indictment was termed "secret" until it was returned to a judge.

The indictment named the corporation printing and distributing the magazine in California and nine individuals, including Hardison and the actress Francesca de Scafa.

Miss de Scafa was identified yesterday by a former editor of Confidential, Howard Rusinow, as one of the chief sources of Hollywood "material" for the magazine. She is currently reported to be in Mexico City.

In addition to conspiracy to commit criminal libel, the charges included conspiracy to circulate lewd and obscene material, conspiracy to circulate material pertaining to abortions and conspiracy to circulate material pertaining to male rejuvenation. —United Press.

### Canada Agrees To 'Open Skies' Plan

London, May 15. Canada informed the UN disarmament conference today it will join the United States in throwing open territory to President Eisenhower's "open skies" aerial inspection programme if Russia does so as well.

Canadian delegate David Johnson said Canada is ready to co-operate with any fair and appropriate inspection plan.

Canada's co-operation is an important part of the US proposal to include Alaska and Russia's Bering Straits territory in the first stage of a partial open skies plan.

Johnson put Canadian appeal on the conference record to illustrate US delegate Harold Stassen's point that open skies and disarmament should not stand in the way of a partial agreement. —United Press.

## MACMILLAN MAKES POOR SHOWING OVER SUEZ

From DEREK MARKS

London, May 15. The instability of the Macmillan government was underlined on Wednesday when the Premier failed to carry his Party with him over the decision to accept Nasser's terms for re-opening of the Suez Canal.

The Prime Minister's speech was made to a barrage of Opposition jeers and open laughter from his own backbenchers. It was a distressing parliamentary performance to watch.

His speech was regarded as one of his weak ones and although there is no question of his position being shaken by the bad speech, the Premier is still seeking to establish his position and his failure is therefore the more important.

### Anxiety

open in Rome on May 23 is to discuss Egyptian sterling. And Egypt expects trade talks to follow.

On the problem of Israeli ships and the Canal, the Premier's failure to deal firmly with this angered both MPs and Israeli diplomats.

I understand Israel has no intention of sending a ship through the Canal until France does so.

The dependency and anxieties of the Tories is counter-balanced by the immense upsurge of enthusiasm among the Socialists.

Mr Macmillan intends to speak again in the Suez debate on Thursday night — following Mr Aneurin Bevan.

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## P & O Liners Routed Via Suez

## DANISH GOVT RESIGNS

London, May 15.

The Peninsular and Oriental Steam Navigation Company announced tonight their intention to route their passenger ships Canton, Carthage and Corfu via the Suez Canal. Passengers and shippers were being advised accordingly, the company said.

The Canton (16,033 tons) bound for London from Hong Kong left Durban on May 9.

The Carthage (14,203 tons) is due to leave Singapore for London on Friday.

The Corfu (14,280 tons) is due to sail from Southampton for Hong Kong on May 30. —Reuters.

## £10,000 BANK ROBBERY

## Goebbels Dead

Berlin, May 15.

Josef Goebbels, Hitler's propaganda chief, was today officially registered as dead, together with his wife and six children. The death was reported on the records of the Registrar of the Dahlem district of Berlin.

Goebbels and his wife committed suicide together in Hitler's air raid shelter on April 30, 1945, at the time of the Red Army's final assault on Berlin. Before taking his own life, the Propaganda Minister had poisoned his six children. —France-Press.

## 52 WOUNDED IN PARIS RIOT

Paris, May 15.

BATON-swinging police clashed with more than 1,500 rioting, leftbank students in the tourist-packed Latin quarter today, leaving 52 wounded and 43 students beaten.

The rioting began shortly after an announcement that the Ministry of Education had

clashes began on Rue Bonapart when police started swinging clubs to hold their lines. The students regrouped and counter-attacked.

Police gave the final toll as: 40 students wounded, including four in the head, a dozen policemen bruised and battered, and 43 students under arrest. —United Press.

## A SIMPLE LESSON IN GEOGRAPHY

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GALA PREMIERE TO-NIGHT AT 9.30 P.M.

ALAN CLIFTON SOPHIA  
LADD WEBB LOREN

A BOY ON A DOOPHINE

CINEMASCOPE COLOR by DE LUXE ALEXIS KAROIS - JORGE MISTRAL

BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!

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AT 2.30, 5.30, 7.30 &amp; 9.30 P.M.

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MARTHA CALHOUN GEORGE HYER JAGGER

NEXT CHANGE KATHY GRAYSON - ORESTE THE VAGABOND KING IN Technicolor

NEXT CHANGE WILLIAM HOLDEN IN "BRINK OF HELL" in WarnerColor

POP

NOW DON'T START THAT AGAIN, MA.

START WHAT AGAIN?

YOU'VE NO CLOTHES YOU NEVER GO ANYWHERE, YOU NEVER SEE ANYONE.

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## IRAQI PEOPLE MOVING LEFT?

## NEW ROYAL ROMANCE?



## Former Premier Warns Of Danger

Bagdad, May 15. Former Iraqi Premier Saleh Jabr warned today that the present government's policies are forcing people into a leftist pattern which could have serious political results for Iraq.

Jabir told American correspondents that "the people are fed up and are saying they might as well be Communists."

"Communists are increasing here," he said, "because of the silly way the government is supporting freedom."

Asked what might be the result for the country, Jabr declared, "anything could be expected. The government is dominating the people by force and the people are afraid."

## Opposition

Jabir, who describes himself as a leader of the opposition, expressed the hope that the present state visit of Saudi Arabian King Saud will remove past misunderstandings.

He said he hoped that Saudi might influence Egypt and Syria to change from the policy of bitter recriminations against Iraq, which is a Baghdad Pact member.

## Engineers To Tame River

Singapore, May 15. Army engineers announced today plans to "tame" with dynamite a turbulent, boulder-strewn river twisting over 200 miles through the jungles of Sarawak.

The British group would be virtually isolated from the world for three months in little explored territory in the British Crown Colony on Borneo Island.

They would live with former head hunting tribes who still hang out their trophy skulls on festive occasions.

An army engineer told a news conference explosives would be used to pulverise boulders, as big as houses, some weighing hundreds of tons.

## VILLAGERS

Clearing these obstacles from the river which swarms with man-eating crocodiles, would enable inland villagers to navigate their boats to markets near the coast and back to their

Major E. W. Hines, Officer Commanding Singapore District Engineers' Squadron, told reporters of a reconnaissance he had made of the area with Captain G. J. Olley, Royal Engineers, who comes from Hedingham House, Castle Hedingham, Halesowen, Essex.

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# Eisenhower Accused Of 'Bad Grace'

POLISH PRIMATE ON ROME VISIT



Cardinal Wyszyński, Arch-bishop of Warsaw and Roman Catholic Primate of Poland is pictured on his arrival in Rome, where he hopes to pay a "fairly long" visit. He is the first cardinal from an Iron Curtain country to be allowed to visit the Eternal City.—Express Photo.

## PAL VISCOUNT GOING TO PARIS

Paris, May 15. The first turbo-prop plane ordered by the Philippines Airlines (PAL) will be greeted by Philippine Ambassador, Salvador Lopez and Paris' Mayor, Pierre Mauroy, when it makes a courtesy call here tomorrow.

The plane, a British Vickers Viscount, is being ferried from London to Manila via Paris, Karachi, Bombay and other stops by a Philippine crew, including pilot Leonides Yap and stewardess Natividad Zuluaga.

Miss Zuluaga, clad in Philippine costume, will present gifts of Philippine handicraft to Manila's Mayor, Arsenio Pacson.

The PAL crew will be interviewed by press and radio reporters shortly after arrival at Orly airport. They will take off for Zurich on Friday.

The courtesy call is part of PAL's programme to promote international goodwill and advertise the availability of turbo-prop services on its regional and domestic lines—France-Presse.

## Increased Technical Assistance For Pact Countries

By ROSS BIRTWISTLE

Karachi, May 15. The British delegation will announce a "substantial increase" in technical assistance to Middle East Bagdad Pact countries when the Economic Committee meets here tomorrow, authoritative sources said tonight.

Britain is already committed to give technical assistance worth £50,000 spread over five years it is reliably understood that the British delegation will seek to have additional assistance allocated to projects which are not already substantially funded principally by United States funds.

Finishing touches were being put late today to the former Sind Assembly Building where the Economic Committee of the five nation pact will meet to discuss and draw up a report to be submitted to the ministerial council meeting here next month.

### Basic Necessity

Near the top of the list of subjects for discussion will be telecommunications and road, rail, air, and sea communications.

A member of the Pakistani delegation said:

"Communications are a basic necessity, a vehicle for building

commerce and joint development projects."

Last spring when the pact council met in Teheran, plans were approved for experts of member countries to go to work on a wide range of subjects of health and education to agriculture.

The British delegation, led by Mr. Nigel Birch, Economic Secretary to the Treasury, and the Turkish Delegation, led by Mr. Ozcemir Yigit, Section Director of the Foreign Affairs Ministry, arrived by air yesterday.

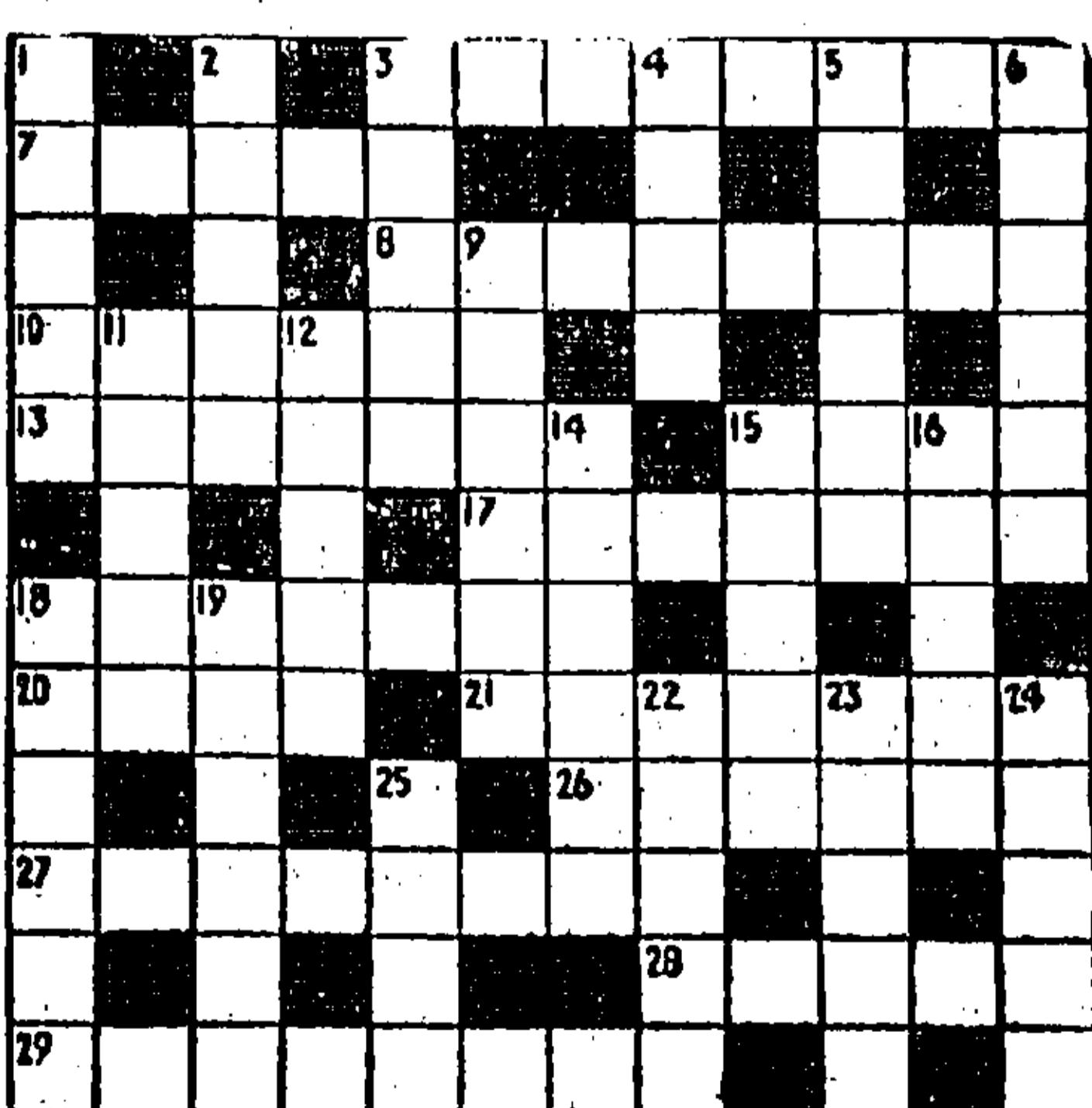
America, though not a full member of the Pact, is a member of the Economic and Counter Subversion Committees, and its delegation, drawn mainly from local embassy sources, is led by the Charge d'Affaires, Mr. Arthur Gardner.

The Iraqi and Iranian delegations have not yet arrived and their Karachi embassies tonight could not give their arrival times.

These two seemed unlikely to be present when Pakistan's Prime Minister Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy makes the opening speech tomorrow.—Reuter.

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### A British Crossword Puzzle



#### ACROSS

- 3 Buildings (6).
- 7 Rustic (5).
- 8 Dillike (6).
- 10 Sober (8).
- 13 Suggest (7).
- 15 Arrive (4).
- 17 Pronounced indistinctly (7).
- 18 Edited (7).
- 20 Object of worship (4).
- 21 It sounds as if the comfort of the tenants is not what it was (7).
- 22 Firm (6).
- 23 True (6).
- 25 Famous singer (6).
- 26 Throws away (6).

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1 Clutch (5).

2 Belief (5).

3 Philosopher (5).

4 Foreign currency (6).

5 Would he not travel on steamer? (6).

6 Was wicked (6).

7 Craft (6).

11 Went astray (6).

12 Month (5).

14 First-born (6).

15 Earthen pot (6).

16 Appointed (6).

19 Curiously amusing (6).

20 Gives utterance to (6).

22 Peace (6).

23 World (6).

24 Country (6).

25 Extent (4).

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## 'TRAGIC RESULTS' OWN FAULT SAYS ACHESON

Washington, May 15. Former Secretary of State Dean Acheson today charged President Eisenhower was guilty of "bad grace" in referring to the "tragic results" of the American military withdrawal from Korea in 1950 just before the Communists struck there.

Acheson said United States troops were pulled out of South Korea upon the recommendation of Eisenhower, then Chief of Staff of the Army, over the protests of the State Department.

"It is by no means clear" that it was necessary to pull out American forces, as Eisenhower urged, Acheson said in a statement released by his office here.

### Bowed To

"The State Department at the time protested Gen. Eisenhower's recommendation, but eventually bowed to the instant views of the military." Acheson said. "Whether or not it was wise for the State Department to have so bowed, it would come in bad grace for the man who made the recommendation to imply such criticism."—United Press.

Acheson was referring to a proposal in Eisenhower's budget of last night in which the President, urging adequate spending for defence, spoke of the "tragic results" of the withdrawal from Korea just before the Reds attacked from the North.

Eisenhower said: "Even after what World War II should have taught us about unpreparedness, our armed forces became so depleted that by 1950 we had to withdraw our military strength from South Korea. That area was then declared to be outside our defence perimeter."

The tragic results of that weakness are too close to us to need recounting to the families of America..."

### Own Signature

The text of the Acheson statement:

"In his broadcast to the nation last night, President Eisenhower referred to what he called the tragic results of withdrawing United States forces from South Korea prior to 1950. He did not mention, however, that the recommendation to make this withdrawal was transmitted to the State Department under date of September 23, 1947 over his own signature as the then Chief of Staff of the Army.

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the US

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ACCUSED OF

## 'FRAME-UP'

Paris, May 15. A Soviet Foreign Ministry spokesman today

described as a "frame-up" and an "unfriendly act" toward the Soviet Union the action of the United States Government in expelling last April 17 from the United States, G. F. Mashkintsev, an official of the Soviet Embassy in Washington.

The Soviet Foreign Ministry press secretary, Leonti Ilychev, at a press conference reported by the Tass news agency, denied that Mashkintsev had "tried to kidnap" Pyotr Progov, a Soviet pilot who fled to the West in 1948 and is now living in the United States. Ilychev said Mashkintsev had visited Progov in the United States, only to deliver letters from Anatoli Borsov, another Soviet pilot who "chose freedom at the same time as Progov, but returned to the Soviet Union in 1949.

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## Israel's Nine Proud Years Of Achievement

ISRAEL is nine years old. In 1948 the country of Palestine, which had been ruled under British mandate since 1920, was carved up and redistributed.

About a fifth of Palestine's coastline in the south, to a depth of 30 miles, became part of Egypt. This is the Gaza Strip, the cause of constant trouble between Jews and Egyptians.

A little strip in the north, given to Syria. And a very large "bite" from the heart of Palestine, all along the River Jordan from the Sea of Galilee to the Dead Sea, and including Bethlehem and half of Jerusalem, became part of Jordan.

The rest was "Israel."

Men who redraw maps must always compromise with realities, and nobody supposed that there would not be trouble ahead for the Jews. The old Palestine, almost surrounded by Arabs, had itself twice as many Arabs as Jews.

### THE OTHER SIDE

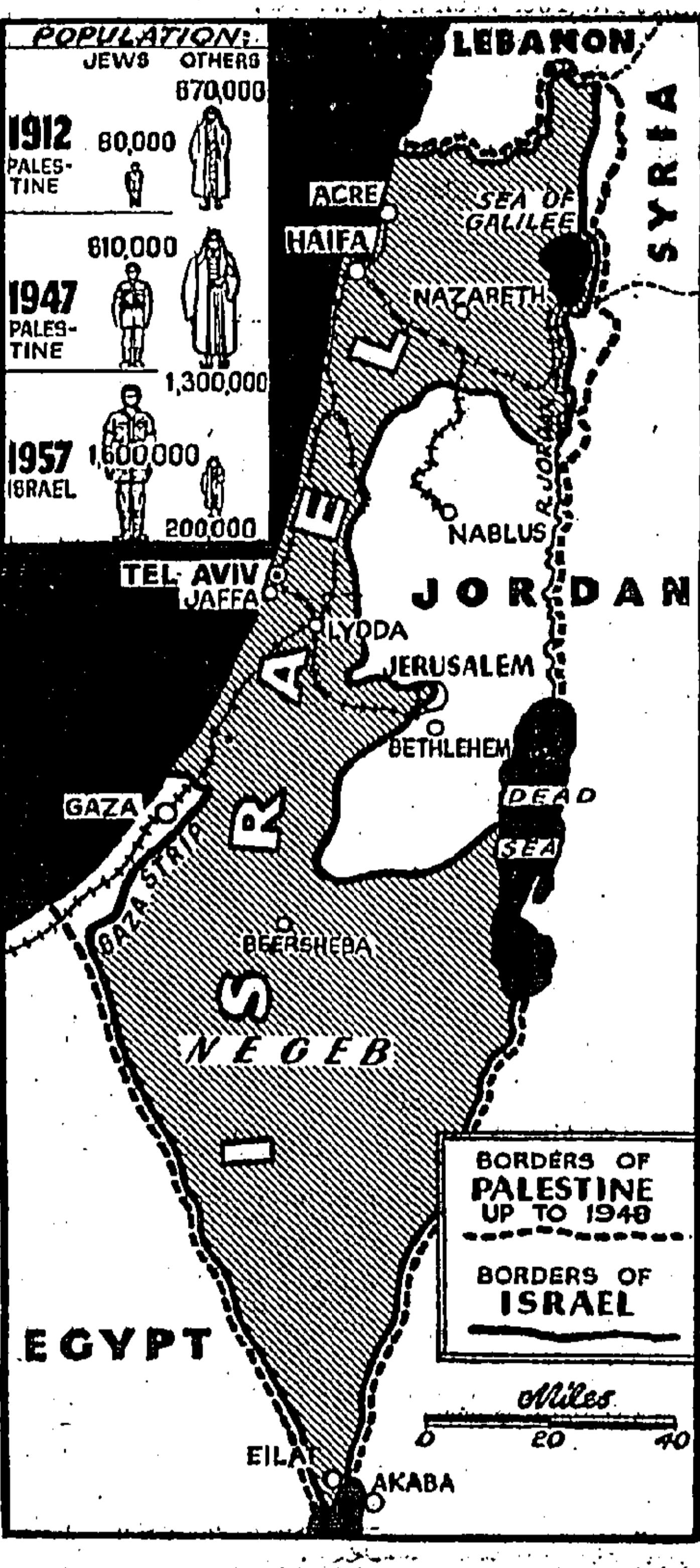
TRouble has been unceasing along Israel's anxious frontiers. But this is the moment, on the new nation's ninth anniversary, to look at the other side of the picture.

Within reduced boundaries, Israel has changed drastically. Living standards have risen, the land under cultivation has doubled, communications and industries have been opened up.

Israel is now far and away the strongest and most literate state in the Middle East.

Most spectacular of all has been the gigantic growth of the Jewish population. When Israel was born, about 800,000 Arab refugees left the country. In their place have come shiploads of Jews from all over the world—many of them refugees themselves.

In the four years 1948-51, 700,000 Jewish immigrants arrived, often penniless. In 1948 alone over a quarter of a million entered the country—and they are still arriving in their thousands.



## MOLLET'S DEMANDS MEET WITH SUDDEN UPSET

Paris, May 15. Storm clouds gathered for the French Government today when the National Assembly Finance Commission declined quick action on demand for new taxes to help meet the cost of the Algerian Campaign and the Suez Crisis.

The Commission decided to suspend examination of the new financial measures until it has studied the Government's plans for 250,000 million francs (200 million pounds) in the 1958 budget, and bills for applying financial expenses on the home front in Algeria.

This threatens to upset the tactics of M. Guy Mollet, the Socialist Prime Minister, who had hoped the debate might start tomorrow.

### NOW UNLIKELY

French observers said it was now unlikely the deputies could start discussing the Government's plans until Friday at the earliest.

The Government plans to raise 160,000 million francs to pay for the Suez Canal. The demonstrators chanted "Nuclear" while beating hand drums in front of Nagasaki's atom bomb memorial.

The priests said that on Friday they will parade through the streets of this atom-bombed city collecting signatures for an "anti-nuclear" campaign.—United Press.

### No Nuclear Arms

Stockholm, May 16. Sweden has no intention of equipping its armed forces with nuclear weapons, Swedish Defence Minister, Sven Andersson, said today. The Minister was replying to a question in Parliament.

Speaking at a press conference here he said he hoped the British Government would not reject Russian proposals for disarmament.

### THE 'CLAMOUR'

The Foreign Ministry spokesman declared that the "clamour" raised around France's entry into the nuclear experiments of the United States, Britain and Soviet Russia. They were joined by 20 Buddhist priests.

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## 'Denise' The Menace From France Off To 'Frog Olympics'

An 18-months old Parisian born frog named "Denise" left Paris today by air for New York en route to Angel Camp in California, where she will defend France's colours at the international "Frog Olympics" on May 26.

Denise, who is an odds-on favourite to break the world frog-jumping record set in 1954 by a California frog named "Lucky", was put under the special care of an air stewardess during the long flight.

Denise's owner, acrobatic engineer, Pascal Amaljean, left Paris yesterday to accompany her to America. He hopes to promote for Denise a diet which would put her in top shape for the event.

American frog Denise will face another "frog" in San Francisco where another "frog" will assist

## DON IDDON'S DIARY

THE Ku Klux Klan rides again and rides high. Not since the '20's has the hooded order, against Negroes been so powerful.

There is even a propaganda campaign to spread the word of the Klan to Great Britain.

In recent weeks my desk has been flooded with mail from Klansmen. They are looking for publicists, and they are looking for recruits.

I have talked to Klansmen in the past few days. Some have asked for anonymity. Others have quite brazenly paraded their views and asked for banner headlines.

The head, or Imperial Wizard, of the U.S. Klan and Knights of the Ku Klux Klan is a 40-year-old paint sprayer, Eldon Lee Edwards.

## Emperor

BY day Edwards works at the Fisher car body factory in Atlanta, Georgia, for a modest \$22 dollars (about £32) a week. By night Edwards is the emperor of the most dominant Klan organisation.

He is clubbing down his rivals and it is his ambition to form the scattered groups of Klansmen into a disciplined army.

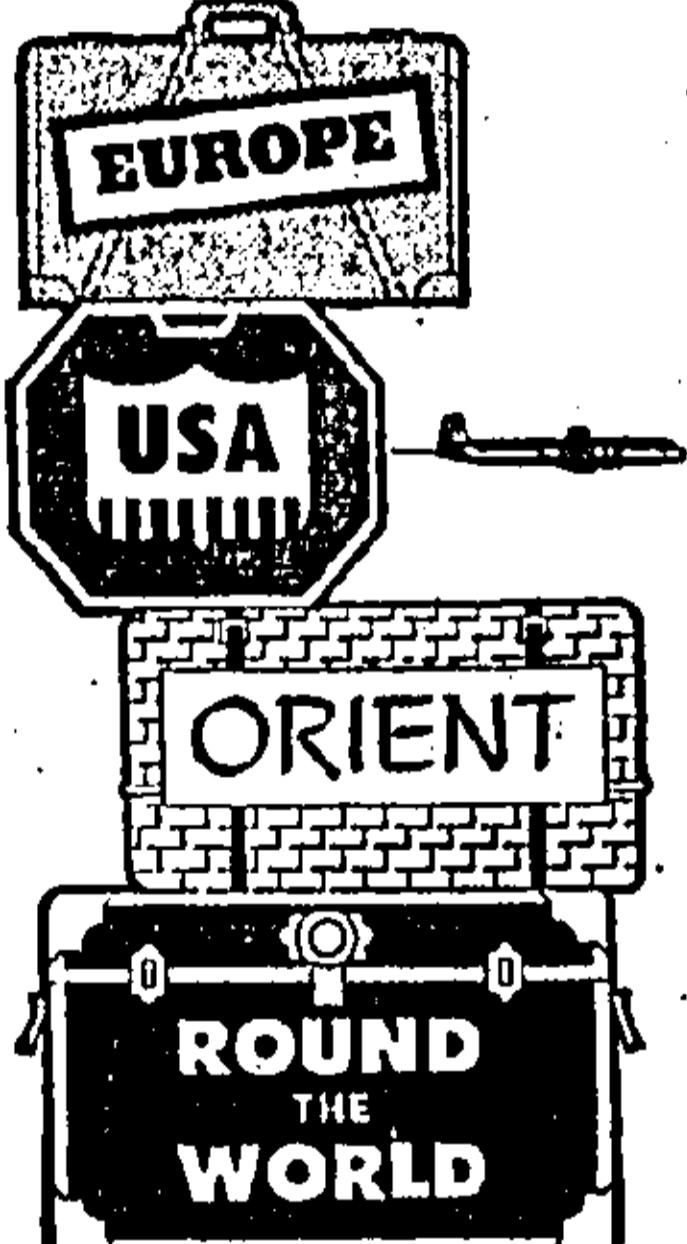
Today Edwards bosses a Klan of 60,000 members.

He says: "The good niggers (he always refers to the coloured as niggers and never Negroes) don't want this integration any more than we do.

The National Association for the Advancement of Coloured People is trying to jam integration, the mixing blacks and whites, down our throats; and it is backed by Jew money.

"But the Klan means business and is doing good business."

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MOLLET is dark, intent, serious, precise, and determined. Especially determined.

He is an organiser, first and last, a shrewd calculator, a dealer in facts and figures. He looks like—and would have made—a banker.

His origins are proletarian, a fact which he recalls regularly and to considerable effect. His father was a factory worker in the industrial north of France, the breeding ground of French Socialism and Communism.

But the fact that he has to keep reminding the world of his humble origin is suggestive. Indeed, but for his reminders, hardly anyone would suspect it.

He is a schoolteacher by profession and something of a scholar. He has published a book on English grammar.

He and his wife live in a neat and small but comfortable

From the time that he graduated from university in 1920—to the outbreak of the Second World War, he taught school in Arras, attracting no attention at all.

He was popular with his students and respected by his colleagues. But in those days he was not seen as a future Prime Minister.

War interrupted his comfortable existence and, curiously, it was his knowledge of English grammar that started him on the way to the top.

In the resistance movement, men were needed to make contact with British agents. Mollet was selected and, through his contacts, became one of the chief planners of the movement.

Back in Arras in 1945 he discovered that the Communists had all but taken over from the Germans. The industrial north of France was on the verge of becoming a Soviet.

He leaped into the battle, got himself elected Mayor of Arras and fought a pitched battle to keep the Communists out of the

At times, indeed, he has sounded more reactionary than any Conservative.

But the Communists at least provided an enemy who could be fought on the hustings, on the factory floors, and in the National Assembly. They were tangible, comprehensible to the working class masses whom Mollet led.

He devoted himself almost exclusively to organisation, to building the party into a tight unit which could be easily controlled from the top and which would be immune from Communists and infiltrators. The shock he got when he returned from the war had permanent effect and, ever since, he has regarded the Communists as his principal enemy.

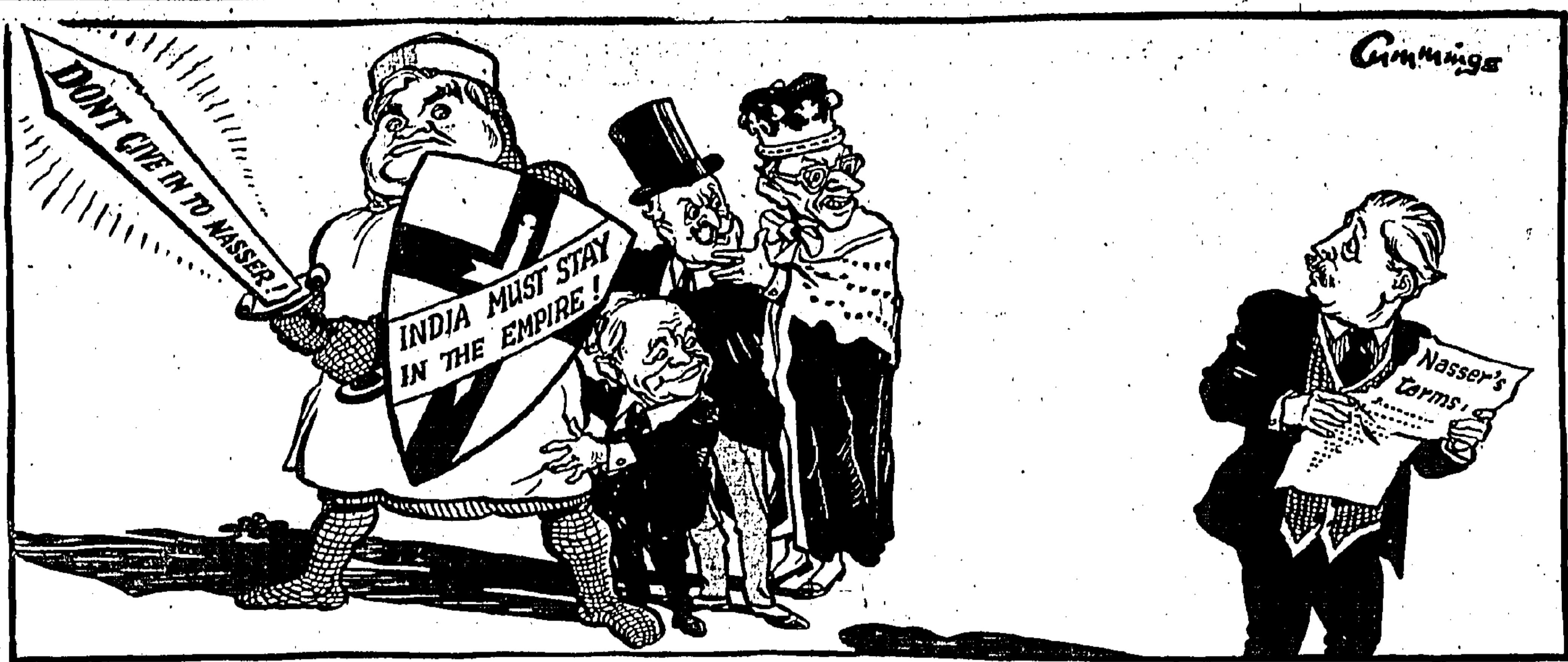
He, like Eden, saw Nasser as a potential Hitler and, even before Eden, determined to stop him at all costs. He failed but, curiously, his popularity increased.

Frenchmen felt proud that, for once, France had had the courage to act.

He, like the extreme right, was in France's Algerian battle a struggle of civilisation against primitive anarchy, and he is determined to win. The sentiment is curious for a Socialist. But the Socialists have followed him meekly.

At home, too, he has made new concessions to his followers and, like conservative politicians, he sees induction as France's major danger.

Traditionally, French Socialists—like British Socialists—have been doubtful about European economic union on the grounds that it would preclude the possibility of individual planned economies. Mollet, however, regards European union as necessary for European survival, culturally as well as economically.



Ah! A truly Tory candidate for Number 10!

## You can't laugh off the Ku Klux Klan

### Chapter 5

#### Count

#### Basie

#### The First Recording

THE second big break for the Basie band came.

Willard Alexander persuaded the Music Corporation of America to sign the band for radio work.

This made history. It was a break in MCA policy for previously it had only handled white orchestras.

President Eisenhower and his

officers say they are almost help-

less to do anything about the

Klan under the involved inter-

pretations of the laws and

Federal statutes.

The Administration is reac-

tant to interfere in the affairs

of sovereign States. The State

Governments themselves and the

political leaders in the Deep

South walk a tightrope.

They do not want to alienate

a movement with a mass follow-

ing and fear violence to them-

selves and their families.

It will be a long time before

the Ku Klux Klan is rooted out.

When he signed the contract,

Basie was fronting the original

nine-piece outfit he had brought

from Kansas City. Augmented

to "name band" size for radio

work, the group lost some of its

magic. It took Basie nearly a

year to mould his men the way

he wanted them.

But mould them he did, and

by the end of that year, he was

one of the top jazz bands in

America.

An engagement at the swanky

Ritz Carlton in Boston meant

headlines for the jumping Basie

crew. Next morning, the Count

opened the Boston Record to

read: "It came quite late in the

evening . . . one of those

strangely unpredictable spells

in which people become so entranced by the music as to become part of it.

Presently there was not one

person in the place, from John

Rosevelt and his lovely wife to

the bus boy, who was not playing

time with the beat of the music."

#### THE SOLID FOUR

"Variety" commented, "The

dancers rushed from the tables

to the dance floor as if respond-

ing to an air-raid warning."

The original 16-piece band in-

cluded the personnel of his

Kansas City nine-piece outfit,

plus such jazz soloists as Buck

Clayton, trump, Dicky Wells,

trombone, Earl Warren, alto

blues singer Helen Humes, and

late tenor, Herschel Evans.

That band was accepted as

the epitome of swing; the solid,

four-to-the-bar jump rhythm,

clipped trumpet styling, glib-

sounding trombones and rolling

reeds, blended throughout with

jazz solos by the leading jazz-

men of the era.

Among recordings which

illustrate just what this band

was doing there are "Patience

and Fortitude," and "High Tide," on Columbia; "One O'Clock Jump,"

"John's Idea," and "Good

Morning Blues" on Decca;

"Basie's Basement," "Robbie's Nest," "Take a Little of the Top,"

and "Solid as a Rock" on RCA

Victor.

Many of the Count's originals

are based on the twelve mea-

sures blues progression, such as

"Jumpin'" at the Woodside,

"Swinging the Blues," "Nuttin' Leg," "Kansas City Stride,"

and "Harvard Blues."

Count also went along to the

recording studios on more than

one occasion to wax solos. But

that was never his greatest

talent—the man from Red Bank has

always been better when surrounded

by a band into which he can merge his swinging piano

style.

But trouble lay ahead,

#### POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER





GERMAN TRACK AND FIELD EXPERT SAYS

# MAN WILL NEVER COVER THE CENTURY SPRINT IN NINE SECONDS

By HANS SCHAEFER

Frankfurt.

Man will never cover the 100-metre sprint in 9.0 seconds or turn in a nine-metre broad jumping result and the hectic world-record-breaking pace likely will slow down soon as there are certain limits for any athlete's physical capacities, a well-known German track and field expert claims.

G. A. Boehmig, one of the country's foremost track theoreticians, based his claim on mathematical rules. Writing in one of the latest editions of the official West German Track and Field Association publication "Leichtathletik," the expert came to the conclusion that his assessment of world records established since the early days of the sport as far back as 1905 until the wind-up of the 1956 season revealed that on the basis of "mathematical order" the number of world records will considerably go down as compared to the past few years.

In 1955, for instance, the world's athletic cream had established 36 new world marks in the various men's specialties. Last season, which was one of the most brilliant years in the international athletic sport, even 50 new world marks were set by crack athletics stars throughout the world.

Moreover, Boehmig claimed, the quality of world records to be set in the future will not be that high as in the past years, for there are certain limits for any athlete's physical abilities which prohibit startling improvements of the present world marks.

## RECORD TABULATION

Event	Year	End of 1955	End of 1956
100-metre dash	1904	10.4	10.2 (1.92)
200-metre dash	1904	21.6	20.2 (0.5)
400-metre run	1912	48.2	45.9 (4.1)
800-metre run	1912	1.51.9	1.46.3 (4.7)
1,500-metre run	1912	3.50.8	3.43.0 (5.5)
5,000-metre run	1912	14.36.6	13.52.2 (4.4)
10,000-metre run	1912	30.58.0	29.01.5 (4.3)
10-metre hurdles	1912	15.0	13.5 (10.0)
400-metre hurdles	1921	54.9	54.4 (6.7)
4 x 100-metres	1912	42.3	39.8 (5.9)
4 x 400-metres	1912	31.6	30.9 (6.8)
High Jump	1912	2.04	2.13 (4.0)
Broad Jump	1912	7.61	8.13 (6.0)
Hop, Step and Jump	1911	15.31	16.33 (6.0)
Pole Vault	1912	4.02	4.77 (18.7)
Discus	1913	47.27	59.28 (25.4)
Javelin	1912	61.06	60.41 (31.7)
Short Put	1913	14.54	18.04 (24.1)
Hammer	1913	55.77	62.36 (7.0)

Commenting on a tabulation made by several Swedish sports journalists in early 1956 on the "world records of the future," Boehmig was of the opinion that these marks likely never will be achieved.

According to Boehmig, the Swedish "dream record tabulation" reads as follows:

100-metre dash: 9.0 seconds; 200-metre sprint: 19.0 seconds; 400-metre run: 44.0 seconds; 800-metre run: 1.43.2; 1,500-metre run: 3.35.2; 5,000-metre run: 13.10.5; 10,000-metre run: 27.00.0; 10-metre hurdles: 12.8; 400-metre hurdles: 40.4; 100-

metre relay: 38.0-4; 400-metre relay: 2.58.0; high jump: 2.21; broad jump: 0.95; hop, step and jump: 17.01; pole vault: 5.15; shot put: 21.04; discus: 69.35; javelin: 92.00; hammer: 71.00.

Boehmig admitted that there exists the possibility for athletes to come close to these "dream marks"—provided the runners have more elastic tracks, or there are better apparatus for the field events. But the expert doubted that athletes ever would actually reach these marks as put down by the Swedish sport journalists.

Already in 1952, another German track expert, Horst Peets, had drawn up a list of world records of the future. So far, none of these "dream marks" have been cracked, although in a very few, the world's athletic cream has edged dangerously close to them, as for instance in the 200-metre dash. Peets then had predicted that the 200-metre world record of the future would be at 19.8 seconds,

And Dave Sime of the US

set June 9 hit the tape after 20.0 seconds flat.

## THE EARLY DAYS

In his breakdown world records established since 1904, until the close of the 1953 season and from there to the wind-up of last year's season, Boehmig said that the improvement in the 100-metre dash from the early days of the sport until the end of last year had been far from extraordinary. In 1904, the world record for this specialty was 10.4 seconds. In 1953 10.2 seconds and at the close of the 1956 season it was at 10.1 seconds. Boehmig was of the opinion that there likely will not be much improvement of the 100-metre mark in the future.

Expressed in terms of percentage, according to Boehmig's statistics, the improvement in the 100-metre world mark between 1904 and 1953 was 1.02 per cent, and from 1953 to the end of the 1956 season improvement was a meagre 0.03 per cent.

Boehmig said that sooner or later, "there will be a physiological stop sign, even though the athlete's heart and circulatory system is still perfect. But muscles and tendons just will no longer stand the strain."

The above tabulation lists the men's world records of the last 40 years until the close of the 1953 season and those of the past three years up to late 1956.

The numbers in parenthesis list the percentage of the improvement made in the various specialties.—United Press.

## INTERPORT CRICKET

## Hongkong To Play Vital Match Against All-Malaya At Kuala Lumpur

Penang, North Malaya, May 16.

The touring Hongkong team which showed cricket fans here how to chase runs and turn on a fighting recovery leaves Penang today (Thursday) for a vital three-day match in Kuala Lumpur against an All-Malaya side.

Hongkong who drew with both Singapore and Federation teams can expect stiff opposition in the game beginning on Friday.

Observers said there were still second innings in which they scored 172 for nine wickets and declared at 5.32.

The full scores were:

Hongkong, 188 and 172 (for nine declared and Federation 225 for nine declared and 60 for 2).

Hongkong owed much to B.P. Dhabir who again top scored with a fine knock of 48 yesterday.

Federation had scored 50 runs for two when stumps were drawn.

Hongkong, who trudged by 97 runs in the first innings made

## Sports Diary

## TODAY

Tennis: Men's "A" Division: CRC (2) v PORC, CMC (1) v CIC (2), Recreational v Stanley C. LRC v KMC, KCC v TMC. Mixed "A" Division: CRC v USAC, SCAA v CCC.

Football: SFAA v Association Council meeting at Shell Club, 3.30 p.m.

Soccer: Charity Game: Combiand Chinese v Best of Club ground, 6.30 p.m.

TOMORROW

Tennis: Selection Committee Meeting, Sports Road, 5 p.m.

## BILL MILLER AND HIS PUPILS



Bill Miller (left), the United States athletic coach watches one of his pupils doing the high jump in yesterday's second coaching session at the King George V School. The American stressed the importance of warming and limbering up exercises before one starts on real athletic effort. Miller also demonstrated the javelin and shot put techniques to complete his exhibition.—China Mail Photo.

## Soviet Rider Wins Prague-Berlin-Warsaw "Peace" Cycling Race

The population of Warsaw turned out in strength to see the finish of the 12th and last stage of the Prague-Berlin-Warsaw "Peace" cycling race from Lodz to here, and gave a terrific welcome to the leading pack of 11 riders as they sped into the stadium to contest the sprint, won easily by the Soviet rider, Cherepovich.

The stage and overall winners were congratulated after the race by Vladislav Gornik, Polish Communist Party chief, and by Polish Premier, Josef Cyrankiewicz.

The last stage of the race was taken at a cracking speed by the leaders over the flatish roads from Lodz to Warsaw.

The first to attack were Swedes Amell and Dahlberg and Poland's Gregorz Chwiedzisz, who broke away with 45 seconds and 45 seconds with 25 kilometers to go, but increased their lead again to over two minutes

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## THE FIRST DAYS

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The chasing pack, reduced to five men, arrived a few seconds ahead of Cherepovich and over three-quarters of a minute ahead of Miller. The next group finished five minutes behind.

## THE FIRST TEN

The final individual order of the first ten in the "Peace" race was as follows:

1. Kristov (Bulgaria) in 58 hours, 12 mins, 56 secs.

2. Louis Proost (Belgium) in 58 hours, 13 mins, 11 secs.

3. Bernard Pruski (Poland) in 58 hours, 16 mins, 10 secs.

4. Rolf Hiller (Sweden) in 58 hours, 20 mins, 41 seconds.

5. Joseph Boucada (France) in 58 hours, 20 mins, 21 seconds.

6. Gunther Grunwald (East Germany) in 58 hrs, 21 mins, 10 secs.

7. Petrov (Yugoslavia) in 58 hours, 22 mins, 8 secs.

8. Helmut Stolper (East Germany) in 58 hours, 23 mins, 54 secs.

## TEAM EVENT

The general order in the team event was as follows:

1. East Germany in 174 hours, 34 mins, 55 secs.

2. Poland in 174 hours, 42 mins, 9 secs.

3. Soviet Union in 174 hours, 44 mins, 47 secs.

4. Belgium in 174 hours, 47 mins, 17 secs.

5. Sweden in 174 hours, 50 mins, 32 secs.

6. Britain in 175 hours, 51 mins, 31 secs.—Frances—Preston.

## U.S. BASEBALL

## Yankees Cram All Their Scoring In First Inning For A 3-0 Win

New York, May 15. Tom Sturdivant turned in a five-hit shutout against the Kansas City Athletics today while the New York Yankees crammed all their scoring into the first inning for a 3-0 victory.

Sturdivant, who gained his second victory, now has pitched 30 consecutive innings without giving up an earned run.

An error by shortstop Joe Demarest helped the Yankees score their three runs off Ned Garver in the opening frame after Joe Collins reached first on the error, a pair of walks and a bunt loaded the bases and Bill Brown's infield double scored two runs.

An intentional pass to Eros Slaughter loaded the bases and Vogi Berns scored the third run when Bobby Richardson beat out an infield hit.

Don Zimmer, who began the season as a fill-in infielder, hit his fourth homer for the Yankees in the eighth when Brooklyn tied the score at 2-2. Gil Hodges also homered for Brooklyn.

Clem Labine was credited with the victory, pitching 11 hits after yielding 11 hits. Al Drysdale in the eighth, when Brooklyn tied the score at 2-2, Gil Hodges also homered for Brooklyn.

Cold weather caused postponement of the game between the Pirates and Cubs at Chicago.

George Susec, Jr., the third Red Sox pitcher, was the winner and Detroit starter Frank Lary the loser.

(Full scores see page 7).

## THE GAMBOL



## EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS

## Dick McTaggart Will Lead England's Amateur Boxing Team

By GEORGE WHITING

Airman Dick McTaggart, the scrub-topped Scot from Dundee, Olympic Lightweight Gold Medallist and supreme Melbourne stylist, will lead England's amateur boxing team in the European Championships in Prague from May 25-June 1.

Call it a most welcome surprise—even if Scotland, with her own team and her own lightweight, Johny Kidd, in Prague, will hardly be expected to go into rhapsodies over it.

McTaggart returned from Melbourne to make one successful appearance against Ireland last January, and there announced that he would not be defending his ABA national title on boxing any more "big time" bouts for the rest of the season.

Public appearances, speeches, dinners, presentations and duty as a corporal cook in the RAF have subsequently occupied most of his time.

## PASSED HIM BY

He has had an sensational contest, however, and has not been entirely unawake that England might be looking for his services in Prague.

As for his native Scotland, southpaw McTaggart says he is not very interested in the country that passed him by before he made the big occasions. Nor would he be available under international rules—having already boxed for England.

And so, Prague may yet see Scotsman McTaggart of England boxing Johny Kidd of Scotland, the 21-year-old fellow alumna who succeeded him as our ABA Lightweight Champion the other week.

International rules are also concerned in England's flyweight selection for the European Championships.



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## UNEASY PEACE IN CYPRUS

Unanswered Question  
"Will It Last?"  
Qualifies Relief

By SHAHE GUEBENIAN

Nicosia, May 15.

In the narrow streets of the main towns of Cyprus until just over a month ago under curfew every night, silent gloom has yielded to the timid echoes of an uneasy truce.

Today, there is sporadic singing and laughter where, during two years of violence in which 386 people lost their lives, a deathlike hush prevailed soon after nightfall each day.

The street below my flat in Greeks have so far been walled. Nicosia's notorious "square mile of murder" has seen a score of riots. Within its immediate vicinity half a dozen killings have occurred in the fury of Eoka violence. A succession of humble doors facing the street still bear the chalked check-marks of well-known British regiments, recall- ing numerous searches.

But in the same street tonight I can hear a Greek love song justly sung by a little group of Cypriot youths:

"Return I pine for you, return! Come back, sweetheart. Come, Come!"

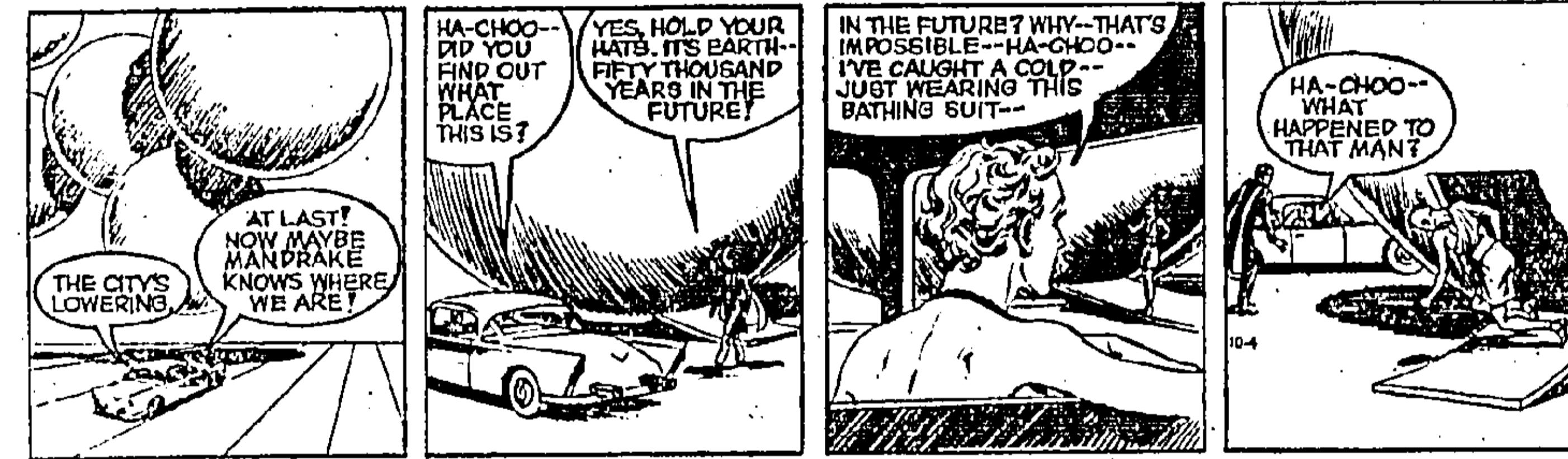
For six months, night after night, these youths were under curfew, together with every Cypriot under the age of 27 living in the main towns. Their confinement was lifted only after Eoka proclaimed a truce and led the way to the release of Archbishop Makarios.

## Final Solution

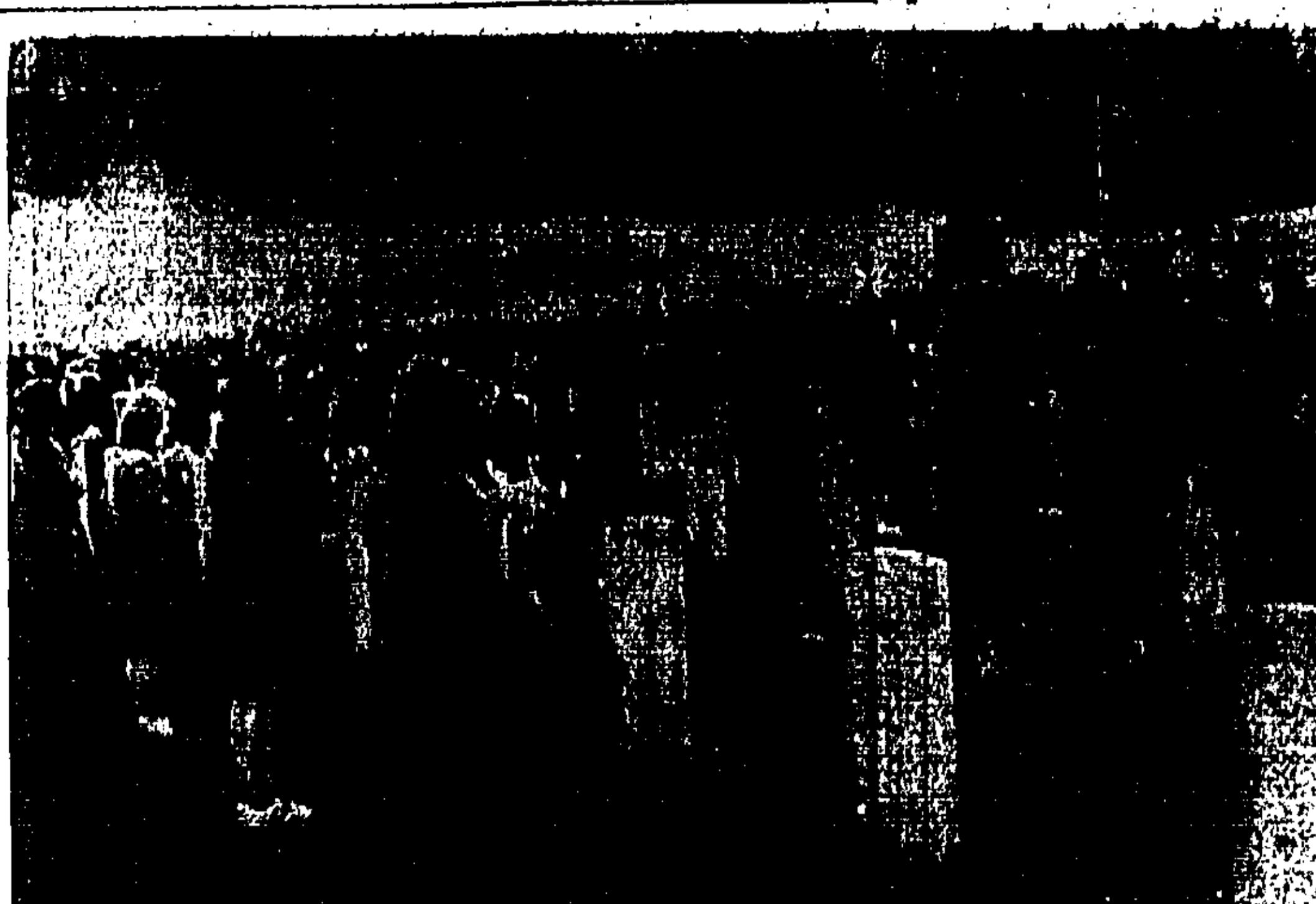
It is good to roam about again in peace. But as yet, its permanence is a question-mark; and as long as a final solution of the Cyprus problem remains elusive, no one can say when the bullet and the teargas may once again shatter the smile of relief. The groups of singing Cypriots and British soldiers in the streets are necessarily like actors in a drama, strutting in the wings during an interval, before the curtain rises on the next act.

The security forces' campaign against Eoka continues unabated, and there has been more than one hint that Eoka may resume hostilities if this campaign is not called off. — China Mail Special.

## MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



## Canadian Dead Honoured



Dutch children are shown with flowers at an annual ceremony in Groesbeek to honor the graves of 2,500 Canadian soldiers who lost their lives in the liberation of the Netherlands during the Second World War. The children who were

at the ceremony and placed flowers by the headstones tend the graves the whole year round. — Express Photo.

## EXTENSION OF TERM

## Petition Presented To Lennox-Boyd

Our Own Correspondent

## Two-Year Diary

London, May 16. Three Hongkong delegates here to present "a simple story of friendship and devotion" and with a million and a half signatures to back them—last evening told the Colonial Secretary, Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd, "We want our Governor, Sir Alexander Graham, to stay."

The two-year Cyprus diary of death and detention, injury and pain, ends on a note of uncertainty and uneasiness. Developments such as Eoka's cease-fire and the subsequent release of Archbishop Makarios have not so far made the violently conflicting interests in the Cyprus dispute any more amenable to a solution.

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by the delegation in bringing their petition to London, and how impressed he had been by what he had seen in Hongkong, and he would see that the petition was given careful consideration."

## GIANT BOOK

The delegates, Mr Daniel Chen, Mr G. E. Gan and Dr Francis Pun, together carried their giant red-covered book of signatures up the stairs of the Colonial Office. With this in front of the Colonial Secretary they presented their petition.

And afterwards they were told in a statement from the Colonial Office: "The Colonial Secretary says how very much he appreciated the trouble taken

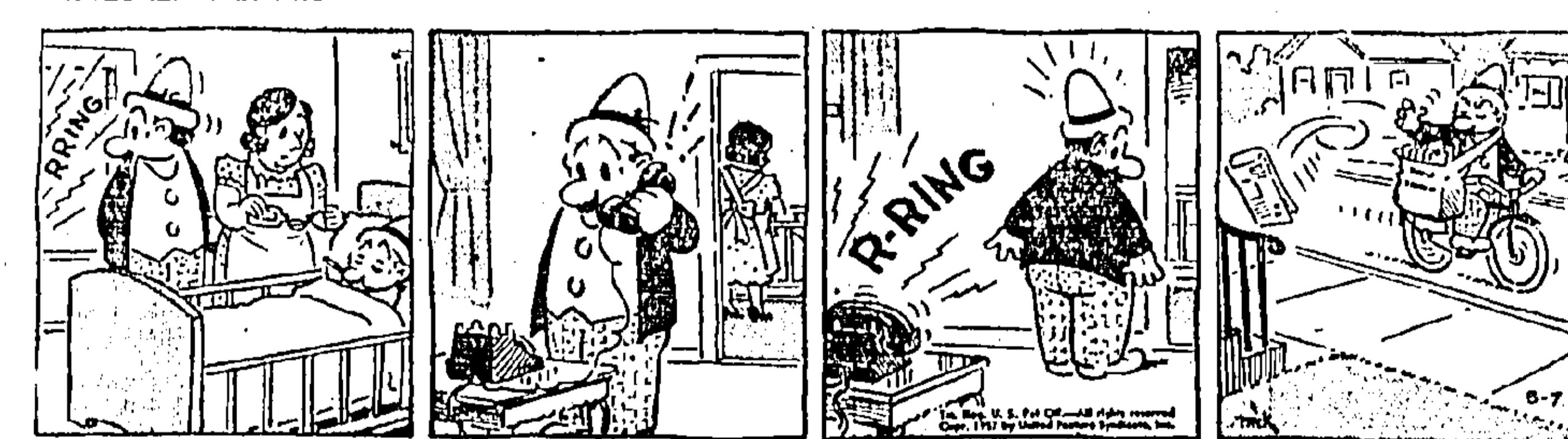
"Our ship of state has been steered by truly seasoned navigator. We see rapids and tempests yet ahead. May we not hope that the steering will be in the hands of the same man until we have reached less turbulent waters?"

"The thought that Sir Alexander may leave us at the expiration of his current term of office is exceedingly disturbing. We want him to carry on a little longer."

"We plead for the finishing touches and crowning achievement to a job well done. Our prayers go with this petition and the hope that our humble wishes may be favourably considered by Her Majesty the Queen."

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SUPERB CONCERT  
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SINGERS

A most unusual programme of operatic excerpts was presented last night in the University Lake Yew Hall by the Music Society of Hong Kong.

The artists were a team of singers whose great strength lies in their complete unity. — Mr Andrew Gold, tenor, and Miss Pamela Woolmore, soprano (Mrs Gold in private life) renowned in both opera and oratorio.

They are both fine individual singers and musicians in their own right, with clear resonant but controlled voices; however, it is together that they reach a very high standard of excellence. Not only does the quality of their voices blend admirably, but the perfect timing is outstanding, the accurate intonation, and the lighting adaptation to change of mood.

The programme was comprehensive, a symposium of opera, constructed with care and originality, opening with the first scene from Menotti's contemporary operetta, "The Telephone," a delightful and humorous trifle.

## MOVING ELEGY

The singers then took us back through the centuries to Purcell, with two solos, "The Soldiers' Song" and "Dido's Lament" from "Dido and Aeneas," which is surely one of the most moving elegies from the whole operatic repertoire.

Miss Woolmore sang this with a depth and intensity which contrasted strongly with the gaiety and froth of the Telephone scene.

There followed three songs from "The Barber of Seville" by Rossini, Andrew Gold, as the sly and smirking Vasco, with Pamela Woolmore as Marenka, achieved a fine performance indeed. Vasco's is not an easy part—or rather, it is easy to make ridiculous, but Andrew Gold, letting his voice soar freely, yet stamping realistically, created sympathy for the character of Vasco even in two short songs.

## A TRIUMPH

Miss Woolmore followed with a solo waltz-song from an operetta by Offenbach, an acrobatic tilt, which she sang with spirit, but which suited her less well than her other songs.

An interesting duet from "The Poised Kiss" by Vaughan Williams was unlike anything that came before or after, as everything by that modern Master is.

Then came the "Watch Dust" from "Die Fledermaus"; this was really a triumph, beautifully and humorously sung and acted. The final scene from "The Telephone" ended the programme most satisfactorily in every way.

Many details were outstanding and, it is hoped, were noticed by all local students of singing. For instance, how, after a long unaccompanied passage, the singers were dead in tune when the piano entered again.

Here let it be recorded that Miss Ruth as accompanist, did better than ever, and throughout an exciting programme played with great skill and sympathy. It was good to see that this was truly acknowledged by the singers.

We are lucky that we shall be able to hear them again, as soloists in the "Elijah," which is being presented by the Hongkong Singers tomorrow, Friday, at the University, and on Monday at Wah Yan College, Kowloon.

All who missed Mr Gold and Miss Woolmore last night are urged to go and hear them while there is an opportunity—X.K.

## CUTEX



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## TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

## EUROPEAN COMMON MARKET

## Japan Expresses Anxiety Over Repercussions

Geneva, May 15. Delegates to the twelfth session of United Nations Economic Commission to Europe (ECE) have resumed their general review of the European economic situation. The Japanese observer, Mr Ichiro Kawasaki, expressed his Government's anxiety at the creation of the European Common Market.

"My country understands the aims of the Common Market and I would like to be able to hail the creation of an economic little Europe. But I would not be very frank if I hesitated to add that my country is anxious about the repercussions of the Common Market on the trade of non-participating countries and in particular, naturally, on Japan."

## MARKET NOT OVERBOUGHT SAYS ANALYST

New York, May 15. Edmund W. Tabell, analyst for Walston & Co, says the market is not yet overbought despite the fact that it has had a rather long selective rally from the February lows.

Bache & Co says the stage is set for a push on the anchor of the advance.

Standard & Poors holds that prospects call for careful consideration of any portfolio changes at this time.

Don't count on the market to make capital gains for you automatically, says Modys.

Poors' investment advisory service suggests a switch out of Ex-cell-O into US Egyptaum.

## DINERS' CLUB

Oppenheimer & Co estimates not for fiscal 1957-58 for Diners' Club exceed \$2 a share against \$1.40 in 1956.

E. F. Hutton & Co calling attention to American Machine & Foundry's outlook, says some liberalisation of the dividend is a possibility this year.

Harris, Upham & Co says its \$1.40 dividend of \$1.00 could be raised to \$2. General Motors is testing lighter metals to produce economies in passenger car operation. F. W. Woolworth will introduce a cafeteria food service in Dallas next year.

Hayden Stone & Co suggests purchase on dips in Master Electric, Sunray-Midcontinent, Mack Truck, Paramount, Canadian Pacific, Royal McBee, American Viscose, Magnavox, Flinthkote, General Precision, Babcock & Wilcox, Chance Vought, American Brake Shoe, Baltimore & Ohio, Lockheed, Pratt & Whitney, Washington Electric, Continental Oil, Reynolds Metals, Bendix, Douglas, Caterpillar and Coca-Cola—United Press.

## DISCOUNT RATE RAISED

Zurich, May 15. The Swiss National Bank today raised its official discount rate by one per cent to 2.0 per cent in move to combat inflationary tendencies threatening the country's economy.

Today's move followed the recent appointment of a special non-parliamentarian committee of experts to advise the Swiss Government on measures to combat inflationary tendencies and a decision of the Federal and cantonal construction work.

Additional measures announced by the Swiss National Bank today include the raising of the Lombard rate from 2.5 to 3.0 per cent—United Press.

## HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

## Our Own Correspondent

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$760,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

Shares	Buyers	Sellers	Sales
BANKS	1,640	1,603	1,640
EMBANKMENTS	250	250	250
INSURANCES	9374	9300	9300
UNITED XD	3814	3900	3900
Lombard	120	100	100
Wheeler	740	745	745
SHIPPING	120	120	120
K. Wharf	107	110	107
Dock	4434	4514	4500
P. Wharf (O)	13	13.50	13.50
Humphrey	10.10	10.00	10.00
Ready	1.4714	1.5214	1.5214
RUBBER	120	120	120
UTILITIES	120	120	120
Yard	22.00	22.00	22.00
C. Light (O)	10.40	10.50	10.50
Electric	30	30	30
Macao E.	9.15	10.00	10.00
Telephone	26.00	27.00	27.00
INDUSTRIALS	120	120	120
Cement	33.45	33.75	33.75
STORES, ETC.	11.40	11.40	11.40
Dairy	14.00	15	15
Watson	11.00	12.20	12.20
TONS	1.470	1.470	1.470
Navy	7.63	8.10	8.10
MISCELLANEOUS	1.00	1.00	1.00
INVESTMENTS	0.22	0.40	0.40
Yankee	1.45	1.45	1.45
Allied	1.45	1.45	1.45
H&F. & E.	10.20	10.20	10.20

## Establishment

We hope that the work in OEEC will lead to the establishment of a free trade area in which the member countries of the proposed European Economic Community will be associated.

He emphasised that the free trade proposal "does not involve the erection of new barriers against trade with the rest of the world." The Bank of Godesberg, which dealt with criticisms of the United Kingdom for wishing to exclude foodstuffs from the free trade zone.

"We do not say that there should be no operation in agricultural policies. What we say is that foodstuffs should be excluded from the scope of the free trade zone. Our special links with the Commonwealth make it impossible for us to join a free trade area which includes agriculture. It will be remembered that over fifty per cent of our agricultural imports come from the Commonwealth."

## Agricultural

We are fully prepared to continue discussions on agricultural trade in OEEC. The United Kingdom's excellent record in agricultural trade is an earnest of our intentions in this respect."

Mrs Koch, head of the Swedish delegation, expressed the hope that the establishment of the Common Market would not lead to protectionism in European trade. She warned that any further reduction of Swedish tariffs would remove the scant but effective protection they afforded to domestic industries.—China Mail Special

## Distribution Centre For Colony

New York, May 15. A new plan for increased Asian and Middle Eastern distribution of products ranging from drugs to sporting guns to cologne was announced today by the Olin Mathieson Chemical Corporation.

The company said that distribution centres under an international corporation to be set up would include Tokyo, Seoul, Taichow and Hongkong.

Some manufacturing is now done in the country in Manila and Bangkok, India.

Products involved include drugs made by the Squibb subsidiary of Olin Mathieson, Mathieson Industrial and Agricultural chemicals, Winchester sporting arms and ammunition, non-ferrous metals and chemicals and paper products.—United Press.

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